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FOR:	<b>Reliable Fault Resolution In A Cluster</b>	Examiner: Wilson, Y.

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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- ☐ Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97 (b)]
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The relevance of the attached references is that this is the closest art of which Applicant is aware. Applicant submits that the above references taken alone or in combination neither anticipates nor renders obvious the present invention. Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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